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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re:

U.S. Divisional Application of Serial No.: 09/756,182

Application of Shinichi KASUGA, Ryoichi SATO and Hiroki YAMAGUCHI

LINEAR GUIDE BEARING APPARATUS

Assignee: NSK LTD. Our Ref: Q77311

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Divisional Application of pending prior Application No. 09/756,182 (Confirmation No. 5597) filed January 9, 2001 of Shinichi KASUGA, Ryoichi SATO and Hiroki YAMAGUCHI entitled LINEAR GUIDE BEARING APPARATUS.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, 6 sheets of drawings, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 3682.

Priority is claimed from:

CountryApplication NoFiling DateJapan2000-004310January 13, 2000

The priority document was filed in parent Application No. 09/756,182.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

 Total claims
 $\frac{4}{3}$ - $\frac{20}{3}$ =
 $\frac{x}{3}$ \$18.00 =
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 Independent claims
 $\frac{x}{3}$ - $\frac{x}{3}$ =
 $\frac{x}{3}$ \$84.00 =
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 Base Fee
 \$750.00

TOTAL FILING FEE \$750.00



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A check for the statutory fee of \$750.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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